GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4797
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FOREIGN CONTRIBUTION REGULATION ACT
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether attention of the Government has been drawn to the news-item captioned `FCRA Citizens Charter modified` appearing in the Hindustan Times, dated 10.3.2000;

(b) if so, the factual position in this regard;

(c) the amendments made in the FCRA;

(d) whether this is likely to hamper the foreign contribution; and

(e) if so, the details in this connection ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

(SHRI CH. VIDYASAGAR RAO)

(a) : Yes Sir.

(b) The news item is essentially based on the press briefing by the official spokesperson of the Ministry of Home Affairs in respect of the contents of the Citizens` Charter on the receipt offoreign contribution drawn up by this Ministry, the revision of the forms for applying for grant of registration or prior permission to receive foreign contribution and information in respect of the major donor countries recipient states and purpose-wise utilisation of foreign contribution.

(c) No amendment has been made to the Foreign contribution (Regulation) act, 1976. Only the forms meant for applying for registration or grant of prior permission to receive foreign contribution prescribed in the Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Rules, 1976, have been modified through the insertion of the format of a certificate for the verification of the antecedents of the applicants from any concerned:

i) Collector of District
ii) Department of the State Government.
iii) Ministry of Department of the Government of India.

(d) : No Sir.

(e) : Does not arise.